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BRITISH ATTACK ON A WIDER FRONT.

"MAKING SATISFACTORY
PROGRESS."

London, April 23.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—
We attacked this morning on a
wider front on both banks of the
river Scarpe.
The fighting is proceeding, our
troops making satisfactory progress.
We captured during the night the
remainder of the village of Treseult
to the south of the Bapaume-
Cambrai road, and gained possession
of the greater part of Hairy-court
wood.

"PRISONERS ALREADY RUN INTO FOUR FIGURES."

London, April 23.
Reuter's Correspondent at Hend-
quarters, telegraphing to-day, says:
After a steady and deliberate
bombardment for many hours, cul-
minating in the heaviest whirlwind
of shells to have yet experienced on
this front, the British at dawn made
a series of co-ordinating attacks on
various points of the front from St.
Quentin to Lens.
Generally I hear things are going
well. The prisoners already run
into four figures.
The day is fine and clear and the
airmen are taking a great hand in
the combat, successfully endeavour-
ing to limit enemy observation.
Yesterday they brought down six
great kite balloons.

HEAVY ARTILLERY WORK ON FRENCH FRONT.

London, April 23.

A French communiqué states:
There has been great reciprocal
artillery activity during the night to
the south of St. Quentin and between
Soissons and Rheims.
Our batteries effectively beat down
a very violent enemy bombardment
east of Craonne preparatory to an
attack which did not occur.
Our artillery and machine-gun fire
broke up an attack last night in the
salient north-east of Highmout.
In the Champagne the enemy
renewed an attempt at night on the
crests we hold at Moronvillers and
Massif where the struggle was very
keen at certain points, resulting
everywhere to our advantage.

GERMAN REPORT.

London, April 23.

A German official report, trans-
mitted by wireless, says:
The English on Sunday penetrated
our first line to the north-west of
Lens on a front of 500 metres. A
counter-attack drove them back.
Infantry fighting recommenced this
morning on a wide front.

A strong French attack north-
westward of Laville-au-Bois heavily
broke down.

We brought down eleven aero-
planes, and set on fire four balloons.

A German official message, trans-
mitted by wireless, reports:—
A new English assault, on the
Arms battlefield, broke down with
heavy enemy losses.

GERMANS USE GLASS BULLETS.

London, April 23.

A Russian official report, trans-
mitted by wireless, says:
The Germans used glass bullets
in the region of the Aa River.

MESOPOTAMIA.

SUCCESSFUL BRITISH OPERATIONS.

London, April 23.

An official despatch from Mes-
opotamia reports:—
We stormed portions of the
Ishtar position on April 21 and
the enemy evacuated the remainder
of the position. During the night
we continued the pursuit of the
enemy until daybreak of April 22
capturing prisoners and a heavy
howitzer.

General Maude is attacking the
position on the right bank of the
Tigris, six miles nearer Samarra.

THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

GERMAN NEWS.

London, April 23.

A German official communiqué
states:
The Bulgars repulsed a British
attack at Lake Doiran.

THE RUSSIANS IN PERSIA.

HOSTILITY OF KURDS AND ARABS.

London, April 23.

A Russian official report, trans-
mitted by wireless, states:
The Kurds are showing increased
activity against us in Persia.
Arabs attacked our squadron at
Cheraban escorting the English Mil-
itary Agent. The squadron suc-
ceeded in forcing a passage and reached
Bakure.

THE SITUATION IN GREECE.

IRREGULARS ARMED AND ORGANISED FROM ATHENS.

London, April 23.

Some light was thrown on the
Greek situation in the House of
Commons by Lord Robert Cecil.
Replying to a question he admitted
that it had been proved that the
irregulars who had been guilty of
degradations against the Venizelists
in various parts of Greece were
armed and organized from Athens.
Moreover, written orders from the
officials of King Constantine, to the
chiefs of these bands in Thessaly
had been discovered.
Lord Robert Cecil added that
General Sarrail was taking the neces-
sary steps to deal with the matter.

PRO-ALLY DEMONSTRATION IN ARGENTINA.

Buenos Aires, April 23.

An immense but very orderly and
most enthusiastic meeting passed a
resolution protesting against ana-
rchism and supporting the Allies.
A procession of 100,000 people sang
the "Marseillaise" and cheered the
United States and the other Allies
and ovated anti-German newspaper
offices.

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT AND WORKMEN'S COUNCIL.

Petrograd, April 23.

The situation as between the
Provisional Government and the
Council of Workmen's and Soldiers'
delegates is explained by M. Cheidze,
the President of the latter. In a
speech delivered to-day he declared
emphatically that there was no
equality of power. His council served
simply as a sort of constitutional
opposition which is necessary as a
check on every Government. This
statement was hailed with deepening
applause.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY LIMITED.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Tramway Company Limited, will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, 21st Floor, 21st Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of April, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
W. K. ROBERTS,
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Hongkong, March 2nd, 1917. 1701

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY the 26th April, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1916, and of declaring Dividends &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 12th April to 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, April 14, 1917. 1678

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 18th April to 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, April 14, 1917. 1677

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 18th April to 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, April 14, 1917. 1678

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Under-Signed on THURSDAY the 3rd May, 1917, at Noon.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
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Hongkong, April 16, 1917. 1683

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st April, to the 5th May, both days inclusive.

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FRAGRANT FASCINATING REFRESHING

NEWS FROM HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, February 23.

EDUCATION.

It is to be hoped that the new Minister of Education, Mr. H. A. L. Fisher, an acknowledged expert in his work, will be able to get through an Education Bill he has in mind, in spite of the preoccupation of the Government on other matters. His opinion, I hear, is that the country can afford a good education scheme no matter what the war costs—or, in other words, the country cannot afford to muddle along with a system that is full of flaws. He aims, I hear, to increase the remuneration of the teachers, so as to make the profession more attractive, and to increase the grants and pensions of secondary teachers. The school age is to be raised and exemptions abolished that now allow children to be turned out before they reach full age. There will also be a strengthening of the ladder by which children can make their way from the elementary school to the university, and better facilities are planned for the technical and scientific training of the youth of the country. It may be that the war will have that good result—that we shall not in the future leave education and its advantages to the present enemy.

MEATLESS DAYS.

Judging by the reports of the market superintendents, people are really taking to heart the exhortations to eat less meat. Smithfield last week had some hundreds of tons of beef left on hand, and no mutton from overseas was issued. Now the restaurants and clubs have fallen into line, and some are adopting one and others two meatless days a week. On those days the menu will contain egg and fish dishes but no joints or poultry. Brooks and Boodles, two of the oldest and most famous of alphas, led the way in this movement and most of the others have followed suit. Restaurants also have dropped the old habit of serving "follows" of the joints and lib. Even Simpsons' in the Strand, famous the world over for liberal helpings of old English fare, no longer gives second helpings, and they have cut out the chop and steak also as being more wasteful than joints. The Premier's declaration on restricted, and prohibited imports this afternoon will carry a consciousness of the war to every stomach. China will be affected in tea and soy beans.

SOUTH AFRICAN TENSION.

General Botha has just taken an important step in regard to the Kulus that may have big results. He has recognised Solomon, the hereditary chief of the Zulus, as administrative head of the tribe. The South African papers make much of it, but

it has almost escaped notice here at home, owing to war preoccupations.

Besides being Prime Minister, General Botha is Minister of Native Affairs, and recently he summoned Solomon—son of Dinizulu and grandson of Cetewayo—and told him he had decided to appoint him to administer the Zulu tribes. He would be allowed an allowance of £300 a year "on probation." He was told that he must "maintain peace and not make trouble. You must understand very clearly that you are not being sent back to your father's district to raise military kraals or impi. Peace is wanted now, and rest for the Zulu nation." Solomon was also encouraged by a description of the future development of the Zulus and went away impressed with the importance of his opportunity. He is to be directly responsible to the Government, which has urged him to promote education and do everything to improve the character of his people. Already the decision has made a good impression among the natives and has gone far to wipe out bitter memories, including the exile of Dinizulu.

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Princess Victoria Alexandra's (Princess
Mary) Birthday (1897).
11 a.m.—Auction of Boots and Shoes,
Shirts, Socks, Hats etc., etc., at Mr.
Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.
Noon—Hongkong Tramway Co's
Meeting.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture etc. at "Formosa," the
Peak.
6 p.m.—Matinee Performance of
"Scenes from Shakespeare" in
Theatre Royal.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 26—
10.45 a.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture, Piano, etc. at No. 8 Torres
Buildings, Kimberly Road, Kowloon.
Noon—Union Insurance Society's
Meeting.
12.30 p.m.—China Fire Insurance Co's
Meeting.
12.45 p.m.—English Traders' Insurance
Co's Meeting.
FRIDAY, April 27—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement
Day.
10.45 a.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture, Piano, Perambulators etc.
at No. 2 Canton Villas, Kimberly
Road, Kowloon.
SATURDAY, April 28—
10.30 a.m.—Auction of Dress Materials
and Miscellaneous Goods at Messrs.
Hughes and Hough's.
9.15 p.m.—"Scenes from Shakespeare"
in Theatre Royal.

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

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France will also have to bring in
for agricultural requirements 17,200
tractors, 125,000 ploughs, 10,000
threshing-machines, a great number
of harrows and other agricultural
machinery. The immediate needs
of France in machinery of various
kinds, during the first year after the
war, will amount to \$392,000,000
and those of Belgium to \$244,000,000.
These few facts and figures
afford food for deep reflection on
the madness of war, and the
best consolation the world has is
that the hope may be fulfilled that
this war is being waged for the
final destruction of war.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An ordinary general meeting of
the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.,
will be held to-morrow at noon in
the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Mathi-
son & Co., Ltd.

In connection with the Hong-
kong Church Missionary Association,
a service of intercession is to be held
in St. John's Cathedral to-morrow,
at 6.30 p.m., when an address will
be given by the Bishop of Victoria.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs
to acknowledge with thanks the follow-
ing donations to the funds of the
Hospitals:—
Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp (annual) \$10
Hon. Mrs. J. H. Kemp (special) 15
A. S. G. 20

The total collection at the Oratorio
given on Good Friday in St. John's
Cathedral amounted to \$1,052. 08; and
as the expenses are met separately this
amount has been sent by Mr. Denman
Fuller in aid to the Red Cross and
Prisoners of War Funds. Mr. Denman
Fuller wishes to take this opportunity
of thanking all those who took part
and enabled him to obtain such an
excellent result.

A Chinese woman, residing at
No. 22, Graham Street, has reported to
the Police that at about 6 p.m.
on the 23rd instant, whilst walking
in the street, she was accosted by
a man who asked for the loan of two
gold bangles, valued at \$250, which
she was wearing. As the stranger
explained that he merely wanted to
take a pattern of the bangles she
handed them to him. Upon receiv-
ing the bangles the stranger im-
mediately decamped with the jewel-
lery in his possession.

At the Phoenix Club last even-
ing some members who had not
exhausted their funds at the Café
Chantant raffled two bottles of "Ye
Aldo English" Lavender water; the
winners of which, Mr. A. P. Nobbs
and Mr. E. W. James, put them up
for auction. The first bottle found
a purchaser in Capt. Cornelissen for
the very useful sum of \$21.75 and the
second bottle under the persua-
sive hammer of the auctioneer,
Mr. J. A. Tarant, realised the sub-
stantial amount of \$50.25. Mr.
Mr. Mulvey, the purchaser, again
raffled the bottle of "Ye Aldo
English" Lavender water, when the
sum of \$50 was secured. The total
amount the two bottles realised—
\$72.00—has been handed over to the
St. George's Day War Charities Com-
mittee.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

To-morrow is Princess Mary's
(Princess Victoria Alexandra) birth-
day—she will be 20 years old.
Princess Mary is the third child and
only daughter of King George and
Queen Mary.

Mr. Gordon Lowder is going as
Customs Commissioner to Amoy. The
"N. C. Daily News" understands
that Mr. Urwin is shortly going
on home leave, and that Mr. Wade,
at present at Chinkiang, will come as
Commissioner in Shanghai, while Mr.
Mayers will go from Amoy to
Chinkiang.

HINDENBURG NEEDS ALL HIS MEN.

The German War Minister, recently
announced that no soldier can be granted
leave of absence to till the farms because
of the numerous offensives that are to be
made against the German front, adding
that, "Hindenburg has need of all his
men."

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

THE SHAKESPEARIAN PERFORMANCE.

St. George's Day being also the
anniversary of Shakespeare, it was
eminently fitting that Scenes from
Shakespeare should form one of the
main features of the day's programme.
While we have all learnt to know that
any theatrical performance which Mr.
Walter Sinclair and Mr. and Mrs. C.
H. P. Hay combine to produce is an
assured success, it is not too much to
say that last night's productions were
a series of triumphs which exceeded
the most sanguine expectations. The
whole evening's programme was
worthy of the record house—a record
certainly from the financial point of
view, for no seat was sold for less
than six dollars while several were sold
for well over a hundred dollars—the
highest figure paid for a pair of seats
being \$300—the house must have been
worth \$8,000 at least.

Those responsible for the entertain-
ment are to be congratulated upon their
choice of scenes from Shakespeare's
plays, as well as upon their highly
successful presentation.

The Theatre was decorated tastefully
with evergreens and red and white
ribbons and the banner of St. George
and also a large illuminated representa-
tion of the St. George's Shield, over the
entrance to the theatre. On the stage,
a special proscenium had been erected and
also a stage, raised a few feet above the
stage proper, which arrangement consid-
erably enhanced the various settings
and enabled the costumes to be seen to
the best advantage. In front of this an
appropriate drop curtain had been pro-
vided before which the musical and other
items were presented, thus avoiding
any delay which would have otherwise
been necessary for the changing of the
scenery. This temporary stage, however,
had one drawback, at least so far as
part of the audience in the back of the
lower part of the house was concerned.
Since this stage was several feet back
from the footlights, the players, when
using the front part of their own
stage, were in reality not much
more than about half way forward
on the actual stage, and when
their lines necessitated a position at the
centre of the temporary erection they
were practically at the back of the per-
manent stage. The result was that in
many instances hearing was extremely
difficult but the players were not to
blame for this.

The performance was opened by the
singing of the National Anthem, the
audience joining in. The solo verse
was well rendered by Mrs. Hill, and the
chorus, which was composed of over
fifty ladies and about thirty
gentlemen, provided a choral effect
rarely heard in the Colony.
Mr. C. H. P. Hay as the Jester then
came before the curtain and rendered,
in excellent style, the Jester's Prologue
from Henry VIII.

The first scene presented was from
King John, Act IV, Scene I, in which
the King's Chamberlain is charged by
the King to put out with hot irons the
eyes of the young Prince Arthur. Mr.
J. E. Bullock impersonated the Cham-
berlain, Miss Veronica Butterfield
the Prince, and Messrs J. J. Dewar
and R. G. Herbert were the execu-
tioners. The presentation of this scene
was very realistic. Miss Butterfield
made a charming Prince. She spoke
her lines with admirable expression
and sympathy, and interpreted a most
difficult part with remarkable success
for one so young. Mr. Bullock also
gave an excellent interpretation of the
character of Hubert, and the whole
stage setting for the scene was very
effective.

This scene was followed by a render-
ing of "Who is Silvia" (from "Two
Gentlemen of Verona") set for chorus
and orchestra by Mr. Denman Fuller.
The next number was the amusing
mid-night scene from Twelfth Night (Act
II, Scene III) in which Sir Andrew
Aguecheek (represented by Mr. L. N.
Lee) and Sir Toby Belch (Mr. M. S.
Northcote) are seated at a table
in a room in Olivia's House, growing
more riotously happy with each
succeeding tankard of ale, and the
Jester (Mr. Hay), and Maria (Mrs. W.
Logan), contributing to their merriment,
while Malvolio (Mr. E. L. Sim) comes
majestically upon the scene to
remonstrate. The whole scene,
including the incident of the introduction
of the ghost, was very cleverly acted.

Between this and the next scene, the
Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., in the
picturesque attire of the age in which
the play of "As You Like It" has its
setting, recited Jacques' famous
Soliloquy "All the World's a Stage."
It was excellently done.

Next the charming ballet scene from
"A Midsummer Night's Dream" was
presented. The atmosphere intended by

the great poet was admirably created
by the performers in their fairy-like
dancing, the dresses and lighting effects,
while the rendering of the accompani-
ment, played by Miss Aileen Lillie,
assisted by the orchestra, added greatly
to a most enchanting and delightful
scene. Mrs. Hay and Mrs. P. Tod were
responsible for the arrangements
and those who took part in it were Mrs.
Tod (Titania) Miss Betty Hammond
(Fluck), Miss Eileen Stubbings (Cobweb),
Miss Kathleen Simmonds (Moth), Miss
Eileen Lammert (Mistardseed), the
fairies were Miss Elfrida Osmond,
Misses Phyllis d'Almada, Castro, Marie
de Sousa and Dorothy Rawley; Elves
and Spirits—Misses Marjorie Offord,
Julia Gutierrez, Gerlie Simmons, Violet
May, Mabel Blackman, Violet Capell, Mol-
ly d'Almada, Castro, Patricia Remedios,
Amy Stoneham, Winnie Lawson, Nellie
Reynolds, Cecily Reynolds and Elaine
Osmond. Bottom, Mr. R. G. Herbert.
The ballet was to the music of Mendels-
sohn's "Rondo Capriccioso."

After this came an interval of fifteen
minutes, giving the audience an opportu-
nity of adjoining to the City Hall
where refreshments were obtainable.

The first number after the interval
comprised three scenes from Hamlet—
Act I, Sec. 4, Act I, Sec. 5, and Act
III, Sec. I. Mr. W. Sinclair played
the part of Hamlet, Mr. J. E. Bullock,
that of the ghost of Hamlet's father,
Miss Reta Hazland took the part of
Ophelia, while Mr. J. J. Dewar was
Horatio, a friend of Hamlet, and Mr.
R. G. Herbert, Marcellus, an officer.
Mr. Sinclair gave an exquisite
study of Hamlet in each of
the scenes. His rendering of the
soliloquy "To be or not to be" was a
fine piece of elocution, while his
feigned madness in the last scene was
a remarkably clever performance. A
very high compliment is due also to
Miss Reta Hazland for her very
successful interpretation of the part
of Ophelia in this scene. So also is
Mr. Bullock deserving of the highest
praise for his part in this number. He
has an admirable stage voice and his
address to Hamlet was delivered with
all the impressiveness of the part demands.
The stage settings of these scenes were
arranged by Mr. Sinclair.

The interval between this and the
next scene was filled by Mrs. H. E.
Merrill who in the role of Amiens of
"As You Like It," finely sang "Under
the Greenwood Tree" set for baritone
and orchestra by Mr. Norman Peterkin.
Then came a couple of scenes
from "The Merry Wives of Windsor"
in which Mrs. Hay appeared as Mistress
Page, Mrs. E. Davidson as Mistress
Ford, and Mr. Hay as Sir John Falstaff.
These scenes were not one whit less
successfully presented than those which
had preceded them. We believe this was
Mrs. Davidson's first appearance in local
amateur theatricals, but she played her
part with so much success that she is
certain to be in request whenever any
further productions are contemplated.
Of the acting of Mr. and Mrs. Hay it is
scarcely necessary to say more than
that they lived up to their high reputation
which is high praise indeed. Minor parts
were taken in these scenes by Mr. L.
W. Purves, Mr. A. K. Mackenzie, and
Mr. F. W. Richardson.

The next curtain raiser was Ariel's
Song from "The Tempest" capably
given by the Chorus with orchestral
accompaniment.

It was followed by a scene from
Henry V—Act III, Scene I in which
Mr. Sinclair, impersonating the King
before Harfleur, bids his soldiers
"Once more into the breach" with the
cry of "God for Harry, England and
St. George." His pose in armour and
his fine declamation of the rousing
speech won enthusiastic applause.

After this came Rosalind's Epilo-
gue from "As You Like It," most
charmingly given by Mrs. W. Logan.
The programme concluded with a
rendering by the chorus of Elgar's
Epilogue from "The Banner of St.
George," and a tableau entitled "A
Vision of St. George." Mr. A.
Mukintosh presented an imposing
figure as the Saint in armour, with
the slain dragon at his feet.

It only remains to be added that Mr.
Norman Peterkin was at the piano and
the orchestra of the 25th, Middlesex
Regiment, by kind permission of Colonel
John Ward and Officers, under band-
master Lawrence Owen, provided the in-
cidental music and accompaniments.

The following ladies and gentlemen
who took part in the organisation of the
celebrations were the recipients of the
thanks of the St. George's Day Com-
mittee—Mrs. Arthur, Mrs. Bowley,
Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. Shenton, Miss
Denison and Miss Robertson for selling
Programmes; Mrs. C. H. P. Hay for
supervising and designing the costumes.
Mr. Denman Fuller—Training the
chorus and additional orchestration of
musical numbers and general
supervision of the musical portion
and also attending to the lighting.
Mr. W. A. Cornell, Stage con-
struction; Mr. A. M. Preston,
Prompting and assisting in the stage
managing; Mr. G. Duncan, Design-
ing and making the armour used
for the Tableau of the Vision of St.
George; The men of H. M. Tamar
for decorating the theatre. The
ladies and gentlemen composing the
chorus. Mr. Bentley, the Hon. Secretary
and Mr. C. Champlin, the Hon. Treasurer.
A private donor, having defrayed the
cost of production, enables the gross
proceeds to go to the St. George's Day
Charity fund.

As a rough estimate of the
financial result of the St. George's Day
effort in Hongkong in aid of war
charities, a sum in the neighbourhood
of \$30,000 may be ventured.

THE MAGISTRACY.

A DESERTED WIFE.

The case in which a Chinese
named Tong Hong Chan was charged
on remand with cutting and wound-
ing his wife, on the 10th instant, at
his residence at No. 43, Hollywood
Road, was concluded in Mr. Mel-
lourne's Court this morning.

Mr. Leo D'Almada appeared as
solicitor for the complainant, and the
defendant was represented by Mr.
J. E. Gardiner.

The story of the alleged assault is
that the defendant, according to
Chinese custom, legally married the
complainant twenty years ago and
subsequently went to Trinidad where
he resided for the past fifteen years.
Three years ago he became a
Christian and married a Christian
wife, a native of Trinidad, whom he
recently brought to Hongkong.
Upon hearing of the defendant's
arrival in the Colony, his first wife
(the complainant) came to Hongkong
and approached him regarding money
for maintenance. As he refused to
comply with her request, she ap-
pealed to the Secretary for Chinese
Affairs but received no satisfaction.
On the 10th instant she went to the
defendant's residence, at No. 43,
Hollywood Road, and demanded
funds for maintenance. The defend-
ant ordered her from the house
and an altercation ensued. Sudden-
ly a police whistle and cries of
"Save life" were heard coming from
the defendant's residence. A hokoo
(P.C. 607) responded and found the
complainant suffering from two cuts
on her head and a cut on one of her
wrists, the wounds having been
inflicted with a chopper. The com-
plainant accused the defendant of
having assaulted her with such a
weapon, but the defendant denied
the charge, stating that the com-
plainant's wounds were self-inflicted.
When the constable was called as a
witness, however, he corroborated
the complainant's story by deposing
that as he entered the defendant's
residence on the 10th instant, he saw
the defendant strike the complainant
with a chopper.

When the case was resumed this
morning, however, witnesses called
to support the defence repudiated
the evidence given by Police Con-
stable No. 607.

The first witness called was an old
lady who, on the night of the alleged
assault, was visiting her daughter,
a married woman also residing at
No. 43, Hollywood Road. This wit-
ness deposed that on the night of
the alleged assault, she was awak-
ened by a noise and then heard a
police whistle. She arose from her
bed, which was in the passage and
saw a woman hurriedly pass her bed
and enter the kitchen. A few
seconds later the woman made her
exit with a chopper in her hand.
She then approached witness's bed,
but as it was dark the witness could
not see her face. Whilst the woman
was standing near the bed, the wit-
ness saw her cut herself with the
chopper, and then proceed into the
sitting room. The witness then
heard sounds of voices coming from
the sitting room and also heard the
chopper fall to the floor. The wit-
ness then saw a man enter the
house and go into the sitting room.
Because of the darkness she could
not see whether or not the man was
in uniform.

Mr. D'Almada then cross ques-
tioned the witness and informed her
of the evidence given by Police
Constable No. 607.

"I know nothing of that," replied
the witness.

The second witness, the daughter
of the first witness, was then called
and her evidence corroborated the
story told by her mother.

After evidence had been given by
the defendant's second wife bearing
out his story, Mr. Gardiner addressed
the Magistrate on behalf of the
defendant and Mr. D'Almada spoke
for the prosecution.

His Worship imposed a fine of ten
dollars and ordered that both the
defendant and the complainant be
bound over on a personal bond of
\$100 each to keep the peace for six
months.

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or the croup and whooping cough of the
children. The same bottle serves the
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and Storekeepers.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning
a Chinese was charged with the unlaw-
ful possession of a quantity of raw
opium, valued at \$40.

Sergeant Fincoat of the Water Police
informed the Magistrate that the opium
was discovered concealed behind a
board in the cabin of a sampan and
as the defendant was the only man
aboard the boat he was taken into
custody.

Mr. Haywood, who appeared as
solicitor for the defendant, pleaded not
guilty on behalf of his client and asked
for a remand.

His Worship granted the application
and adjourned the case until next
Tuesday, fixing the defendant's bail at
\$200.

DUPLICATE LOTTERY TICKETS.

In Mr. Melbourne's Court this mor-
ning a Chinese was fined \$100 on the
charge of unlawfully having in his
possession 2,000 duplicate lottery
tickets.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

ROBBERY AND ASSAULT.

The Criminal Sessions were resumed
this morning. In a case before Sir
William Rees Davies, the Chief Justice,
Chan Kwong, Cheung Fun and other
persons unknown were charged with
that on the 11th January 1917, at
Quarry Bay, they did feloniously assault
one Kwok Fuk and steal from him \$800,
one gold chain, one pair of gold bangles
and 24 pieces of clothing; and also that
one Kwok Kan Mai, on the 11th Janu-
ary, at Shaikwan did feloniously
receive \$130 from the two accused,
knowing the money to have been stolen.
Mr. G. N. Orme, of the Attorney Gen-
eral's office appeared for the prosecution.
The accused, who were undefended,
pleaded not guilty.

The Jurymen were—H. R. Bequeira,
W. C. Jackson, H. P. Allgood, J. W.
Briggs, J. J. Isaacs, G. Rapp, S. Green-
field.

Mr. G. N. Orme, in outlining the case
said:
The first and second accused were
charged with armed robbery from
a junk playing between Shaikwan
and Hongkong, and the third
accused was charged with receiving
some of the money knowing it to
have been stolen. The origin of the
case was jealousy following rivalry
between two junks carrying salt fish
to Hongkong. The junk on which the
prisoners were engaged, formerly did
the sole business of carrying the salt
fish from Shaikwan to Hongkong, but
later, another junk, of which the com-
plainant was master, came into the trade
and cut out the first junk and was now
doing practically all the business.

Evidence will be given, said Mr. Orme,
that on a day, a few days prior to the
robbery, the first accused spoke of the
possibility of robbing the competitive
junk, and on the day before the robbery,
the prisoners boarded a shallow boat on
the west side of Kowloon and were
rowed in the direction of Hongkong
and anchored some distance from Hong
kong till the morning, when they were
taken to a position opposite Quarry
Bay, where they waited for the arrival
of the competitive junk. When the
latter arrived, the men from the boat
boarded the junk, and presenting
revolvers and brandishing knives, forced
the crew into the hold, where they were
secured. The accused then took away
a quantity of money and other articles
and also a piece of canvas, and got
away without being identified by
any of the crew of the junk. But for a
fortunate occurrence the accused would
have got off. A man who recognised the
first and second accused saw them
rowing to the junk, also saw them board
it. This man immediately went to the
Water Police and told of what he had
seen, which led to the subsequent arrest
of the accused. The police also went
on board the junk of the first accused
and there found some of the
stolen articles and some money,
which the first accused had given to
the third accused to mind. The piece of
canvas was also found, and the master of
the pillaged junk was able to identify it. The statements made
by the prisoners at the police station
were also of a nature calculated to
incriminate each other.

The master of the competitive junk
then went into the witness box and gave
evidence of the robbery.

After hearing further evidence the
jury brought in a verdict of guilty.
His Lordship sentenced the first and
second accused each to seven years
imprisonment with hard labour with
ten and fifteen strokes respectively,
and the third accused to two years
imprisonment with hard labour.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE TORPEDOING OF THE HOSPITAL SHIPS.

STATEMENTS BY THE "LANFRANC'S" CREW.

LONDON, April 22. In an interview, members of the crew of the *Launceston* said that the first warning was given by the explosion of the torpedo, which occurred at 8 o'clock in the evening in mid-channel. The ship lurched and her stern sank rapidly until the name was submerged. She then settled slowly.

The Germans on board panicked, and their officers, mostly behaved disgracefully, breaking out of the saloon and leading the panic. They were the first to jump into the boats, shooting everybody aside and lead to be restrained. Some of them were knocked down. When one of the small rescuing boats came alongside, these German officers started shooting and yelling for rescue in German, thinking it could only be a German vessel, but, realising their mistake, they shouted in English: "We English sailors no Deutsche" also, "Kommard, Menet!" One boat capsized owing to the weight of the overcrowding Germans who jumped into the boat without orders. Their struggles in the heavy sea were terrible. Other Germans jumped at the first rescuing vessel approached, and falling between the two vessels, it was impossible to save them.

The torpedo struck the vessel where there was a ward of German officers. Those not killed by the explosion were drowned owing to the flooding sea.

The difference between the Germans and the British Toninians was remarkable, the latter being most calm, taking and obeying orders most promptly. The Germans fell on their knees pleading to be saved and a German Brigadier-General on board remarked sadly to a British officer after the explosion: "I don't like my country for this." When the first survivors were aboard the rescuing vessel, the submarine fired another torpedo but it missed its mark. The crew and the officers of the *Launceston* worked unceasingly to bring up the wounded, both British and German.

The *Donaud* was attacked at eight in the evening close to the English coast and sank in half an hour. The crew of seventy, in addition to the wounded, mostly—being cases, were all most calm and the crew did not leave until the wounded were in the life boats.

THE GERMAN DESTROYER RAID.

AMSTERDAM, April 23. The *Maandagochtenblad* states that eight German destroyers left Zeebrugge on Friday evening, two of which were sunk. They were of the most recent type of four funneled vessels. Two others were seriously damaged. A number of wounded sailors were brought to Bruges on Saturday. Great vigilance, and apparent anxiety, prevails at Zeebrugge.

THE RESCUE OF GERMAN WOUNDED.

A FRENCH COMMENT.

PARIS, April 23. Referring to the rescue of German wounded on hospital ships, the newspapers pay a tribute to what they characterize as the lofty and exemplary humanity of the British Navy towards a faithless and lawless foe.

WOODEN SHIPS FOR CANADA.

LONDON, April 23. The Canadian Government is sending the Imperial Munitions Board £2,000,000 to build wooden ships in Canada.

MADAME SARAH BERNHARDT ILL.

NEW YORK, April 23. Mme. Sarah Bernhardt has been operated upon for kidney trouble and is seriously ill.

THE BRITISH MISSION TO UNITED STATES.

DEEPEST APPRECIATION SHOWN.

LONDON, April 23. Both official and unofficial America are showing the deepest appreciation of Mr. Balfour's visit. The most elaborate precautions are being taken to safeguard the mission. The mission is escorted by cavalry through the streets of Washington, to McVean's Mansion, where Mr. Balfour is staying, and Cavalry and a Guard of Honour are constantly in attendance.

Mr. Balfour is dining with President Wilson at White House on April 23, and with Mr. Lansing on April 24, which will be followed by a reception.

President Wilson is keeping the week free from engagements in order to devote himself to the distinguished visitors.

Mr. Balfour has sent a message to Canada paying a tribute to Canada's magnificent achievements and saying: "I wish you to regard the mission to the neighbouring State as your mission and also trust that a representative of Canada will join me at Washington."

THE IMPERIAL WAR CONFERENCE.

CONCLUDES ITS LABOURS THIS WEEK.

LONDON, April 23. Center is informed that the Imperial War Conference is expected to conclude its labours in the current week. All the Dominion representatives have been extremely busy, attending the sub-committee besides attending the Conference and the Cabinet meetings. An excellent spirit has prevailed throughout, and a broad standpoint adopted on the various questions, though due regard has been paid to the important interests of the individual Dominions. The most striking feature has been the Dominions' cordiality towards the Indian representatives, and India's participation. This is all the more important in view of the past Indo-South African, and the present Indo-Canadian immigration difficulties. General Smuts' attitude in approaching the Indian questions, justified particular appreciation at the Conference and will have notable results, particularly in the direction of the recognition of the absolute need for not delaying the large and difficult questions now, or immediately after the war the many matters of this kind quite apart from the fundamental problems of the future close relations of the different parts of the Empire.

BRITISH AIRSHIP LOST AT SEA.

LONDON, April 23. The Admiralty announces that a British airship, patrolling the east coast on Saturday, has not returned. An airship was seen to descend in flames in the Straits of Dover, at noon on Saturday, and an aeroplane was seen in the vicinity shortly before. It is believed that either hostile aircraft destroyed the missing airship, or probably engine power failed and she drifted a long distance with the wind. It is assumed that all of the crew are lost.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

FURTHER GAINS AT LOOS.

LONDON, April 22. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: "We further progressed to the east of Havincourt Wood. We carried the southern portion of the Trescault village. There has been sharp fighting throughout the day to the south-east of Loos, where ground was gained and prisoners taken. There was considerable air activity. In the fighting five of the enemy's machines were brought down and six were driven down. Four of our machines are missing."

THE FORTY YEAR TEST.

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FURTHER BOMBARDMENT OF RHEIMS.

PARIS, April 22. A French communiqué reports: "Between the Somme and the Oise there was an artillery duel, which was most active south of St. Quentin and north of Urvillers."

Between Soissons and Rheims there were intermittent artillery actions. The enemy violently bombarded Rheims, particularly the Cathedral quarter.

In the Champagne the day was marked by a series of enemy reactions against the heights at Massif and Moronvillers. There was a violent attack against Highmount, which was repulsed after a sharp action, and our machine-gun fire and counter-attacks inflicted sanguinary losses on the enemy.

Our fire caught a German battalion north-west of Highmount, and dispersed it. The enemy left their dead on the ground. Another attempt against the hill further east was repulsed.

THE ENEMY RAID ON DOVER.

GERMAN VERSION.

LONDON, April 22. The German official version of the Dover raid states that light forces advanced towards the "mouth of the Thames and effectively fired 650 shots at short range on the Dover and Calais fortresses. Calais was unguarded, but at Dover an outpost vessel was destroyed. No fighting the enemy on the return journey, portions of the forces turned back and received and encountered destroyers. There were sharp engagements at short distances. One enemy vessel was torpedoed and another was fired upon and heavily damaged. One was probably sunk. A portion of the forces advanced towards the Thames, but did not meet the enemy. Only merchantmen prisoners were captured.

THE BRITISH VERSION.

The Admiralty not only denies that any British vessel was sunk, but that even any were seriously damaged. The only British force taking part in the action consisted of two destroyer leaders. The engagement lasted a few minutes. The remnant of the enemy escaped by feeling. The "merchantmen prisoners" claimed were three of the crew of an abandoned barge.

GENERAL MAUDE'S RECENT SUCCESS.

A CORRECTION.

LONDON, April 22. An official report from Mesopotamia states that the enemy force which General Sir Stanley Maude defeated and practically wiped out on the 18th inst. was a Turkish detachment on the left bank of the Tigris holding the Shatt-el-Adham line, not as previously telegraphed, on the right bank, on the right bank of the Tigris, opposite the northern flank of the enemy's Istabulat position.

We advanced one mile on the night of the 19-20th.

We captured on the 21st inst. part of the front line of the Istabulat position, capturing 230 prisoners.

BRITISH MISSION ARRIVES AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, April 22. Mr. Balfour and the other members of the Commission have arrived. They were received by Mr. Lansing and the British Ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice. They received an ovation from the crowds and the City was beflagged with the Allies' colours.

BELGIAN FEELING TOWARD GERMANY.

"EVEN GERMAN SOLDIERS WEPT."

WASHINGTON, April 22. The State Department has published the report of Mr. Whitlock, the ex-Minister to Belgium, on the Belgian deportations. Mr. Whitlock states that the Germans have lighted an inextinguishable fire of hatred among the Belgians by a cold and calculated deed so cruelly executed that even German soldiers wept.

MARKINGS ON HOSPITAL SHIPS.

ADMIRALTY'S CORRECTION.

LONDON, April 22. The Admiralty have issued a correction of their communiqué issued yesterday. The Admiralty now states that one of the hospital ships retained its distinctive markings.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

2.30 p.m.
Banks.....\$ 7124 buyers
Hongkong Firs.....320 buyers
Douglases.....630 buyers
Indos Def.....153 buyers
China Sugars.....114 buyers
Hkong Wharves.....80 buyers
H & W Docks.....125 buyers
Hkong Electric.....64 sales
Powells.....91 buyers
Ewo Cottons.....116 sales
Kung Yils.....147 buyers
Shanghai Cottons.....152 buyers
Yangtsepoos.....873 buyers

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

REPORT OF THE HONGKONG AUXILIARY FOR THE YEAR 1916.

The following Report signed by the Rev. T. W. Pearce as Hon. Secretary, has been issued:—

1. The Committee has pleasure in presenting a further Annual Report. 2 Under conditions that could not be deemed favourable, the Hongkong Auxiliary has been enabled to render aid to the Bible Society, of a character and extent that testify alike to the loyalty of the Society's constituency in the Colony and to the zeal of its collectors.

3. The claims of the Bible Society as the chief institution that exists to-day, for the production and distribution throughout the world of the Christian Scriptures, has been kept steadily before the local Churches, Chinese and non-Chinese; and has met with a response, which, apart from financial values, should prove an incentive to further continuous endeavour.

4. The Committee is grateful to all who have contributed to the satisfactory results of the year's working; and in this connection would state its conviction that close touch with the Society's activities such as is sought on behalf of the Hongkong Churches, through the ordinary and special channels that exist for this end, will prove to be a chief means of deepening sympathy and enhancing the amount of support annually derived from the Colony.

5. The Bible Book and Tract Depot now reorganized, has been the centre of distribution for 1,278 Bibles, 2,557 Testaments and 2,356 separate portions of Scripture, in all 6,191 volumes. The significance of these figures lies in the variety of languages they represent, in the demand for Bible teaching that grows out of the evangelistic efforts of the Chinese Churches; and in the special Bible-class work, which is one of the best signs that the Churches are seeking to put on strength and rise to the level of their responsibility toward the less instructed. It may also be hoped that the figures point to advance as respects Bible reading in Chinese homes.

6. This Committee is glad to record, as matter of interest to Hongkong friends of the Society, that four collectors have given, practically, their whole time to work in the Colony, selling more than 10,000 copies of the Gospels in Chinese, on the streets and in shops.

7. The occasion of issuing the present Report may fittingly be taken to put on record the fact that the Rev. H. E. Anderson, appointed to the oversight of an important sub-agency of the Bible Society, which includes Hongkong and its Dependencies, arrived in the Colony last October, receiving cordial welcome as an honoured worker entrusted with the care and supervision of Bible distribution in the district. Mr. Anderson will be associated closely with this Auxiliary. His counsels of experience cannot fail to be of constant value in the administration of its affairs.

8. It should be reported, with due appreciation, that the Society's Agent in China, the Rev. Dr. Bondfield, used the opportunity afforded by a brief visit at our port, to facilitate arrangements for placing the Depot on a more satisfactory basis. In Dr. Bondfield's sympathetic attitude, as representing that of the Bible Society, there were found possibilities that now have effect, of reconstructing the lines of control, with a clearer prospect of continuance and advance.

9. Brief reference to the last Report of the British and Foreign Bible Society may well be made as offering illustrations, timely and cogent, in their bearing on its work in connection with the great war. "None of the belligerent countries has placed difficulties in the way of distributing the Scriptures and it is a remarkable fact that the Society's Depots at Berlin, Vienna, Budapest, Warsaw and Constantinople have not had to close their doors." A circumstance fraught with significance to all who look forward, through the dust and din of conflict, to the final triumph of the Prince of Peace.

10. Finally, it should be stated that in China, during the year 1916, there were placed in circulation by the Bible Society 2,371,406 copies of the Scriptures in the language of the people, a factor of large moment when it is borne in mind that distribution is by sales. A healthy demand for the Christian Scriptures is a sign of promise in relation to sound progress to which attaches the highest ethical and spiritual sanctions. The Committee rejoices in the Society's endeavours within the borders of the great Republic and throughout the world.

11. In drafting the above Report the Committee has in mind the circumstance that the Honorary Treasurer of the Auxiliary, Mr. Crowther Smith, left the Colony recently to take his place among the soldiers of the fighting line. The kindly thoughts of many will follow him and the earnest desire be cherished that he may, in due time, return to us in peace and safety.

12. Mr. Henry Sykes, who kindly consented to act as Treasurer, has prepared the Statement of Accounts and arranged the Subscription Lists of the year. The financial statement shows that the collections and donations for the year amounted to \$1,775.13. This added to the balance in hand at the beginning of 1916 gave a total of \$3,076.70. The new year starts with a balance of \$730 in hand.

HONGKONG AND GERMAN TRADE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING.

RESOLUTION IN FAVOUR OF EXCLUSION REAFFIRMED.

At a crowded special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the representative of the Chamber on the Legislative Council, moved the same resolution as he moved at the recent meeting of the Legislative Council viz:—

"It is the opinion of this Council that it is in the best interest of the Colony of Hongkong that persons of German nationality should be excluded therefrom for a period of at least ten years following the declaration of Peace; and that, subsequently, they be only admitted into the Colony under strict license."

Mr. Holyoak said that there had been no need for H.E. The Governor to debate the resolution. It was not sought to legislate on the question; it was merely asked that the opinion of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce be put before the Home Government for consideration. It was thought that without a direct expression of opinion the community's desires would not receive the consideration they otherwise would. He said that it was impossible to avoid sentiment. It was due to sentiment that this war was being waged—the sentiment of the rights of Belgium—and it was entirely on a question of sentiment that another great Power had recently joined in the war. He said he felt it unnecessary to argue the economic question at length. The liquidations of the German firms had fully satisfied them on the matter. He had no hesitation in saying that 60 per cent. of German trade here had been done in British cargo.

Mr. Holyoak reiterated the arguments he put forward at the meeting of the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. C. E. Anson, in seconding the motion, said that the question of admitting the Germans to Hongkong after the war could not be made one of pounds, shillings and pence.

Mr. E. D. V. Parr also spoke in support of the motion.

The Hon. Sir Paul Chater said that whilst he bowed to no man in his patriotism he thought that the question of the Germans settling in the surrounding countries would be serious if they were not allowed back to Hongkong. He opposed the resolution on this ground.

The motion was put to the vote, two only showing hands against, one being Sir Paul Chater.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATIONS.

THE RAFFLES.

The Model Sailing Yacht, which was raffled at the Cafe Chantant yesterday was won by Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, and the Table Lamp, kindly presented by the Standard Oil Co., was won by Mr. E. J. Wilkinson. The pony, Brown Bess, presented by Capt. Cassel to Mrs. Milner-Jones for St. George's Day Funds was won by Mr. N. L. Leefe who put it up for auction, and the auction realised \$100.50.

Mr. Labrum also auctioned two geese which were kindly given by Mrs. Frost of Kowloon, and these realised \$56.50 and \$65.00, respectively; the buyers being Mr. A. G. Coppin and Mr. G. C. Moxon; the first-named also bought in Brown Bess.

A Shortbread, which was kindly presented by Lady May was sold at the excellent figure of \$47.00 to Mr. E. Alcock.

The Committee wish to thank Mr. Eldridge of the P.W.D., who kindly supervised the erection of the matshed, also Mr. Ng Chong the contractor for his services and the special terms.

In connection with the collection of the tins, Mr. T. E. Pearce's assistance was much appreciated as well as the hospitality which he extended to all at the Cricket Club yesterday morning.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

HOME NURSING EXAMINATION.

At an Examination in Home Nursing held recently at the Government Civil Hospital by Dr. W. Y. M. Koch, Honorary Examiner, the following candidates from the Helena May Institute Class were successful:—

Mrs. Goldsmith (Nursing Pendant).
Mrs. Mansfield (Nursing Pendant).
Mrs. Alabaster (1st Certificate).
Miss Evans (1st Certificate).
Miss Victoria Ho Tung (1st Certificate).
Miss Rebecca Judah (1st Certificate).
Miss Dorothy Lander (1st Certificate).
Miss Mary Perry (1st Certificate).
Mrs. Hickling, L.E.C. P. & S., was the Hon. Lecturer to the Class.

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MYSTERY SHIPS FROM UNITED STATES.

ALLIED PLOT TO FEED THE ENEMY. Remarkable disclosures of the alleged activities of Hugo Stinnes, the millionaire German "coal king," were made by the Attorney-General in the Prize Court recently.

In opening the case for the Crown in claims which were made by the American Transatlantic Company, regarding the seizure of the steamships *Rankakee*, *Hocking* and *Genesee*, the Attorney-General outlined what he described as an elaborate and grave system of deception.

The vessels were three of a fleet of 11, owned by the Transatlantic Company, which was controlled by Mr. R. G. Wagner. The Crown alleged that, though a Mr. Alfred Jensen, a Dane, who was Wagner's cousin and brother-in-law, was referred to as Wagner's partner, the whole concern was only another name for Hugo Stinnes.

As early as 1912, said counsel, Mr. Stinnes's view of the international situation was such that he recovered it prudent to discover what would be the difficulties in the way of a sudden transfer of his very considerable tonnage from the German to the British flag.

Mr. Stinnes was a man of extreme wealth and of great commercial activity. He had acquired a controlling interest in the Copenhagen Coal and Coke Company, a firm which Jensen had started. When war broke out Jensen was used by Stinnes as an intermediary for communication with England.

COPPER DISCOVERED AS SUGAR. At the beginning of the war Mr. Stinnes deposited about \$2,000,000 for Jensen to operate with in getting food stuffs to Germany as a neutral trader. Jensen's first step was to establish a line of vessels.

His general method was this: He formed single-ship companies with a small capital which he recovered the purchase price from Jensen, who lent the money out of funds supplied by Stinnes. At that time the Danish law as it stood made no particular difficulty in getting provisional registration in Denmark, which he recovered the purchase price from Jensen, who lent the money out of funds supplied by Stinnes. The conviction of Jensen, continued counsel, drew some inconvenient attention to the ships which belonged to Stinnes, and the Danish Government

passed a law colloquially referred to as "Jensen's law," which prevented any ship obtaining Danish registration without Government sanction.

This law was inconvenient both for Stinnes and Jensen, and their original scheme had to be boldly revised. At this stage Wagner appeared on the scene. He was a gentleman who, by his own admission, had suddenly qualified for the career of a shipowner by losing \$100,000 in sugar beet.

PROTECTED FROM INQUIRY.

The principle upon which this transaction was based was that the United States registry could not be challenged, except by United States officials in United States Courts, and that, where a company was formed as a neutral company, it was not permissible to inquire further into the control of the company. Accountants who had traced the claimant company's books in New York, had not been able to discover where Mr. Wagner obtained the money for the purchase of these ships, added counsel.

The hearing was adjourned.

AMERICAN WARSHIPS IN CHINA.

INTERNMENT ORDER SUSPENDED.

There have been developments in the matter of the internment of American river gunboats. On Friday night it transpired that orders had been given for the boats to be interned at Shanghai and instructions were despatched to the vessels at different points on the Yangtze to return. The *Samar* was to be placed in "Gunboat Row" on Saturday morning and the others would also be moored there as they reached port. On Saturday the *Villalobos* returned to Shanghai and the *Quiro* arrived yesterday afternoon.

On Saturday morning, however, a notification was received here to the effect that no further steps were to be taken towards internment the vessels, pending the receipt of subsequent instructions. The whole matter has created some interest in Chinese circles, and it was reported that no request was made by the Chinese Government to the effect that the first step in this direction would have to be made by the Chinese Government in the ships of a request that this should be done. —Daily News.

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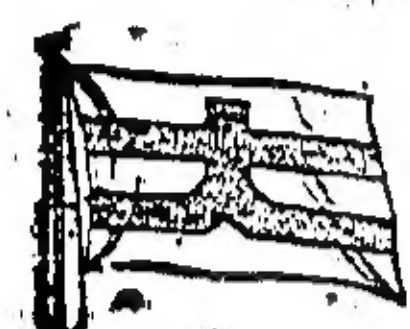
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For FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to—

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SHIPPING

NOTICE.

S.S. "MEIKAI MARU."

THE Mitsui Bussan Kaisha's S.S. "MEIKAI MARU" will be dispatched by the Toyo Kisen Kaisha from this Port, for Japan, San Francisco, Panama and South American Ports, on TUESDAY, the 24th April at Noon. For full particulars regarding Freight, etc., apply to

T. DAIGO,

Agent, Toyo Kisen Kaisha, Agents, The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Hongkong, April 23, 1917. 1711

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship "BENDORAN"

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 30th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 18, 1917. 1699

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

THE Steamship "KOREA MARU"

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, 25th April at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on SUNDAY, 25th April, at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged Goods will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on the 1st May, at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognized if filed after the 14th May, 1917.

T. DAIGO,

Agent, Hongkong, April 23, 1917. 1719

BARBER LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE S.S. "EGREMONT CASTLE"

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th April, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 14th May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 30th April at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, April 23, 1917. 1718

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Steamer. Tons & Speed. Leave Hongkong.

KOREA MARU.....13,000-18 knots.....Mon. 30th April, at Noon.

SIBERIA MARU.....13,000-18 knots.....Sat. 12th May.

TENYO MARU.....22,000-21 knots.....Wed. 23rd May.

NIPPON MARU.....11,000-15 knots.....Mon. 11th June.

SEIYU MARU.....22,000-21 knots.....Tues. 19th June.

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For full particulars as to Passage and Freight apply to

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YOKOHAMA MARU, Capt. Terada, Tons 12,500, WEDNESDAY, 8th May at Noon.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....TANQO MARU, Capt. Soyeda, Tons 12,500, FRIDAY, 18th May at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....KATORI MARU, Capt. Kon, Tons 21,000, SUNDAY, 20th April at 11 a.m.

YOKOHAMA.....KOMO MARU, Capt. Inadzu, Tons 16,000, SATURDAY, 12th May at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.....RANGOON MARU, Capt. Kikayashi, Tons 8,000, THURSDAY, 10th May.

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To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (on account of the concerned),

MONDAY,

the 30th April, 1917, at 11 a.m., at No. 9, Humphreys Buildings, Top Flat, Kowloon.

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c., &c., therein contained.

Comprising:—
Turned Teak Dining and Bed Room Furniture (practically new), Embroidered Screens, Curtains, Tonkin Inland Fire Screen, a few pieces of Blackwood Ware, Brass and Porcelain Vases, &c., a few sets of Bed and Table Linen, Cutlery, Glass and Crockery, including "Cantonese" Dinner and Breakfast Service, Tea Chest, Pantry and Kitchen Tables and Utensils.

Also:
Electric Griller, Fan, and Fittings, Typewriter, Walnut Stained Wicker, Upholstered Furniture, Sun-birds and Rattan Chairs including Twin Bedsteads of the same material (NEW).
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
On view day of Sale.
Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 24, 1917. 1725

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (on account of the concerned),

FRIDAY,

the 4th May, 1917, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 4, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Lee House Street.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,

Comprising:—

Two Double Brass Bedsteads with Mattresses complete, Sideboards, Dining Wagon, etc., Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, Chesterfield Sofa, Arm-chairs, &c., Wardrobes and Toilet Tables, Cots, &c., Miscellaneous Furniture, Pictures, &c., Roll-top Desk, Blackwood Ware, including Cabinets, Wardrobes, Stands, &c., Brass Fenders and Fire Brackets, a few lots Porcelains, and Crockery, &c., Pantry, Bath Room and Kitchen Utensils, Electric Lamps, Fans, &c., &c., &c.

Typewriters and Bicycles.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
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Hongkong, April 24, 1917. 1724

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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-9-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

April 25th to May 1st, 1917.

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FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

CHAIRS.

I.—In Victoria with two Bearers.

Quarter hour, 10 cents

Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 35 "

Three hours, 75 "

Six hours, 1.00 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 1.00 "

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour, 0.50 cents

Three hours, 1.00 "

Six hours, 1.50 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 2.00 "

III.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearers With 4 Bearers.

Quarter hour, \$1.15 \$0.30

Half hour, 0.20 0.40

One hour, 0.30 0.60

Two hours, 0.50 0.80

Three hours, 0.70 1.00

Six hours, 1.00 1.50

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 1.50 2.00

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong if engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes, 5 cents

Quarter hour, 10 "

Half hour, 15 "

One hour, 20 "

Every subsequent hour, 20 "

Note.—If the ricksha be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the hire causes the journey to take longer than—

To 4th mile—

single, 75 cents; 1 hour, 1.00

return, 1.00; 2 hours, 1.50

Beyond 4th to 6th mile—

single, 1.00; 2 hours, 1.50

return, 1.50; 4 hours, 2.00

Beyond 6th to 8th mile—

single, 1.25; 2 hours, 1.75

return, 1.75; 4 hours, 2.25

Beyond 8th to 11th mile—

single, 1.50; 2 hours, 2.00

return, 2.00; 4 hours, 2.50

Fares for journeys beyond the 11th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out to apply to one ricksha with three coolies from Tsim Sha Tsui.

FARES FOR PUBLIC CARRIAGES.

Not exceeding per passenger.

From Slaughter House to Sailors' Home, 04 cents.

From Sailors' Home to Government Civil Hospital, 04 "

From Government Civil Hospital to Clock Tower, 04 "

From Clock Tower to Race Course, 10 "

From Clock Tower to Bay View House, 12 "

From Wanchai Market to Bay View House, 08 "

From Bay View House to Quarry Bay, 08 "

III.—In the City of Victoria.

Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour, 10 cents

Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 35 "

Three hours, 75 "

Six hours, 1.00 "

One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., 1.25 "

IV.—Beyond Victoria.

Not exceeding per passenger.

One hour, 20 cents

Three hours, 45 "

Four hours, 60 "

Five hours, 75 "

Six hours, 90 "

One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., 1.25 "

If a vehicle is discharged beyond the limits of the City of Victoria half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey.

IV.—In Kowloon.

Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour, 10 cents

Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 35 "

Three hours, 75 "

Six hours, 1.00 "

One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., 1.25 "

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

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Aberdeen, Aukau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, San Tin, Stanley, 4.30 P.M.

Canton, Samsui, Hong, 5 P.M. 5.00 P.M.

Macao 7.15 A.M. 9.00 A.M.

Kowloon 8.00 P.M. 8.00 P